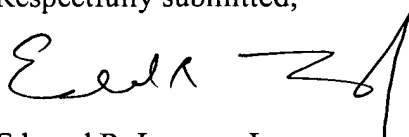


### REMARKS

Claims 15-51 are pending. In the first Preliminary Amendment, filed September 17, 2003, Claims 1-14 were cancelled, and Claims 15-51 were added. In the present Second Preliminary Amendment, Claim 33 is amended without prejudice to place the claim in independent form, Claim 49 is amended to correct a minor spelling error, Claims 28-32, 41-43, 48 and 50-51 are cancelled without prejudice and Claims 15-27, 34-40 and 44-47 are unchanged.

Entry of the present Second Preliminary Amendment and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Lawson Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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